PARK MANAGEMENT PLANNING SERIES

Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park

INTERIM MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

Ontario

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August 17, 1984

REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S APPROVAL STATEMENT

This Interim Management Statement will provide interim direction for the management of Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park until a comprehensive Park Management Plan is prepared.

This statement will provide the basis for the subsequent preparation of the Park Management Plan. Under our process of work program planning I expect a preliminary management plan will be reviewed by the public by 1988.

I am pleased to approve this Interim Management Statement for Lady Evelyn-Smoothwater Provincial Park.

M.A. Klugman
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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NAME: LADY EVELYN-SMOOTHWATER	
PROPOSED CLASS: Wilderness	
M.N.R. DISTRICT: Temagami	
M.N.R. REGION: Northeastern	
TOTAL AREA(ha): 72,400 **LAND:** **WATER:**	
SITE REGION: Southern Boreal (4E)	
SITE DISTRICT: 4E4	
DATE In REGULATION: 83.07.07	

REGIONAL SETTING MAP Figure 1

Scale

TARGETS

1 LIFE SCIENCE REPRESENTATION (see Figure 1)

site type/landscape unit	species/communities
Moderately broken bedrock-controlled uplands; weakly broken valley	. mesic, sandy till with sugar maple/yellow birch forest scattered jack pine/white birch/aspen forest . wetlands: swamps(black ash) to peatlands (cedar/larch)

2 EARTH SCIENCE REPRESENTATION (see Figures 3 and 4)

geological theme	feature
Canadian Shield - Southern Province Wisconsinan Glaciation Surficial Deposits	Cobalt Plate - metasedaments, Maple Mt./Ishpatina - mafic intrusives, Nipissing diabase dykes - Algonquin Stadial/Timiskaming Interstadial

3 CULTURAL RESOURCE REPRESENTATION (see Figure 5)

theme	theme segment
Indigenous Settlers, Traders and Potters Environmental Frontierism	Laurel peoples (prehistoric village, sacred site) Shield Archaic & Laurel Peoples (prehistoric village, prhistoric stone tool quarry)

4 RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES (see Figure 6)

day use	car camping	wilderness/back country
N/A	N/A	17,347

INVENTORIES

level / type	earth science	life science	cultural	recreational	other
reconnaissance completion date	1982	1982	1982	1979	
detailed completion date	1985	1985	19 ?	1984	
required?					

DATE August 17,1984

PARK MANAGEMENT STATEMENTS

I. Visitor Services

There is a need to provide information about the park to individuals and interest groups, particularly those who participated in district land use planning. Other publics will be reached at the same time.

Guideline:

The following will be provided:

Temagami Canoe Route pamphlet identifying the park/district routes and necessary information;

Park boundary signs at major and secondary entry points.

There will be no direct interpretation, education or recreation programming in the park in the short term.

II. Research

Park resources have been assessed on a reconnaissance basis and are described in background information files.

Guideline:

More detailed information will be collected to evaluate resources (ie. earth science, life science, cultural resources).

Park visitation and patterns of backcountry travel will be evaluated by encouraging discussion of park management with various interest groups and conducting a visitor questionnaire survey within the park.

III. Recreation/Development

Guideline:

Access will be encouraged at major entry points including water and road routes at Beauty Lake, Frank Falls and Lady Evelyn River south channel. Facilities at entry points will be maintained with consideration to upgrading according to the level of use and as funds permit.

The District will maintain existing canoe routes and hiking trails within the park. The district will continue to monitor the use of existing campsites and evaluate potential areas for additional sites. As demand warrants, canoe routes and trails will be upgraded within

III. Recreation/Development (cont'd)

Guideline: (con'd)

the park for day use and extended trips to optimize the distribution of visitors and to highlight scenic resources. Height of land trails to view points on the Ishpatina Ridge and Maple Mountain will be central to this. Aesthetic structures for safe observation of the surrounding lands are needed.

Hunting and sport fishing will continue within the park. Over the long term management practices may be intensified to better meet park objectives.

Existing motorized recreation travel will be monitored to identify appropriate management strategies to integrate the various kinds of motorized travel with wilderness recreation activities.

IV. Commercial Activities

Tourism Services:

Guideline:

Commercial tourism operations associated with hunting, sport fishing, canoe-tripping, tent camping and hiking will continue. Fly-in access will continue in the short term with consideration to some restrictions on areas for this activity in the future. The two commercial outpost camps will continue with a view to evaluating their use in relation to use patterns in the rest of the park and resource management needs. These sites will eventually be phased out.

Commercial Trapping:

Guideline:

Existing commercial trapping will continue.

Commercial Forestry:

Guideline:

There will be no commercial logging within the park boundaries. The existing log haul road will continue to provide logging access through the park.

Mining and Aggregate Extraction:

Guideline:

Mineral exploration is currently limited by the Bear Island Land Caution. When possible, mineral exploration will be permitted

IV. Commercial Activities (cont'd)

Mining and Aggregate Extraction: (cont'd)

through the Exploratory Licence of Occupation procedure, under Section 190, R.S.O. of The Mining Act. Mineral exploration will be undertaken in a way that does not conflict with future management options for the park or protection of significant resources.

Aggregate extraction will not be permitted within the park boundaries, except for the maintenance of the main road and for future park development purposes as required. Site locations and rehabitation requirements will be prescribed to ensure minimum extent and duration of disturbance.

V. Land Tenure

Guideline:

There will be no further land dispositions to patent within the park. The existing activity will continue, however, in the long term the cottage patent and four recreation camps (Land Use Permits) will be phased out.

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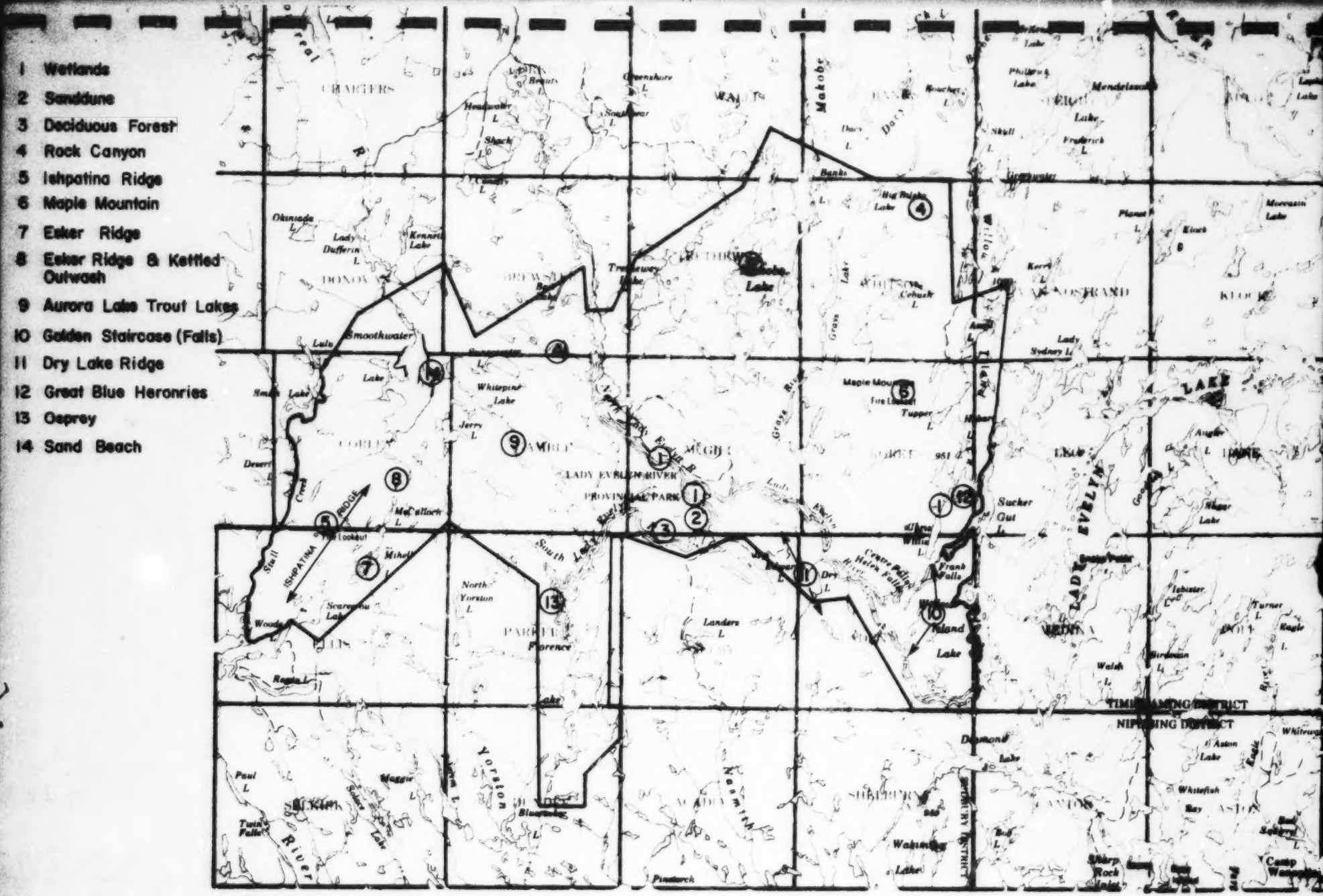
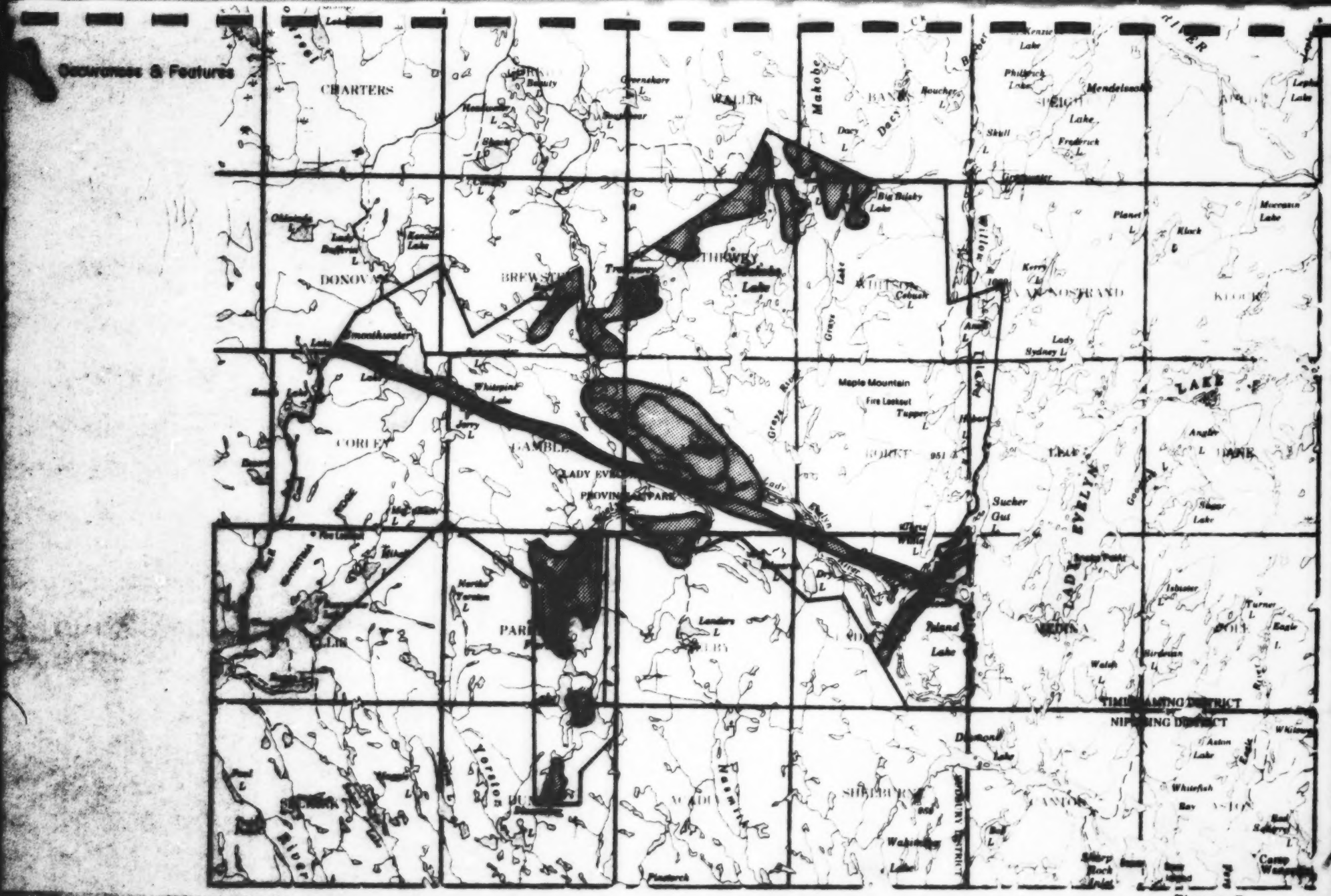


Figure 2

SIGNIFICANT LIFE SCIENCE & SCENIC FEATURES


Occurrences & Features
CHARTERS
DONOVAN
BREWSTER
THORNEY
CORLEY
GAMBLE
PARK
SHERBROOK
Maple Mountain
Fire Lookout
Tupper L.
Sucker Gut L.
Island Lake
Lady Evelyn
Lake
Mekobe
Dacy
Grass
Montgomery
Whitepine
Jerry L.
Landers L.
Yorston
Wabasseeway
Pinedrock
Big Bidahy Lake
Lady Sydney L.
Mendelssohn
Frederick L.
Kerry L.
Colbeck L.
Angler L.
Sheer Lake
Turner L.
Eagle L.
Whitefish Bay
Diamond Lake
Astorn Lake
Walsh L.
Skull L.
Phillpick Lake
Boucher L.
Dacy L.
Planet L.
Klock L.
Lake Dane
Isbister L.
Birdseye L.
Whitefish
Bay
Sharp Rock Inlet
Camp Wapageisi
TIMISKAMING DISTRICT
NIPISSING DISTRICT
Figure 3
SIGNIFICANT AREAS BEDROCK

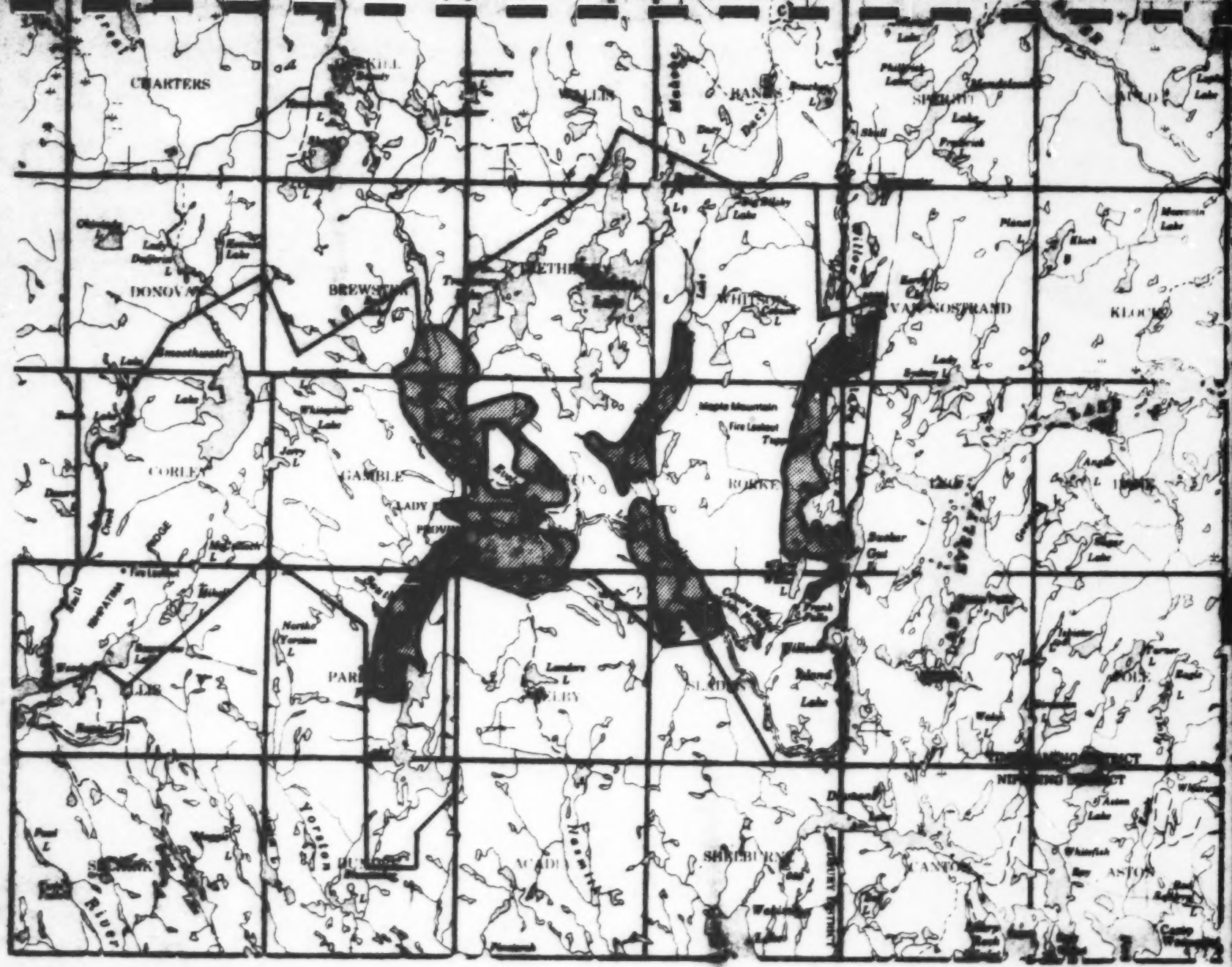


Figure 4

SIGNIFICANT AREAS SURFICIAL DEPOSITS

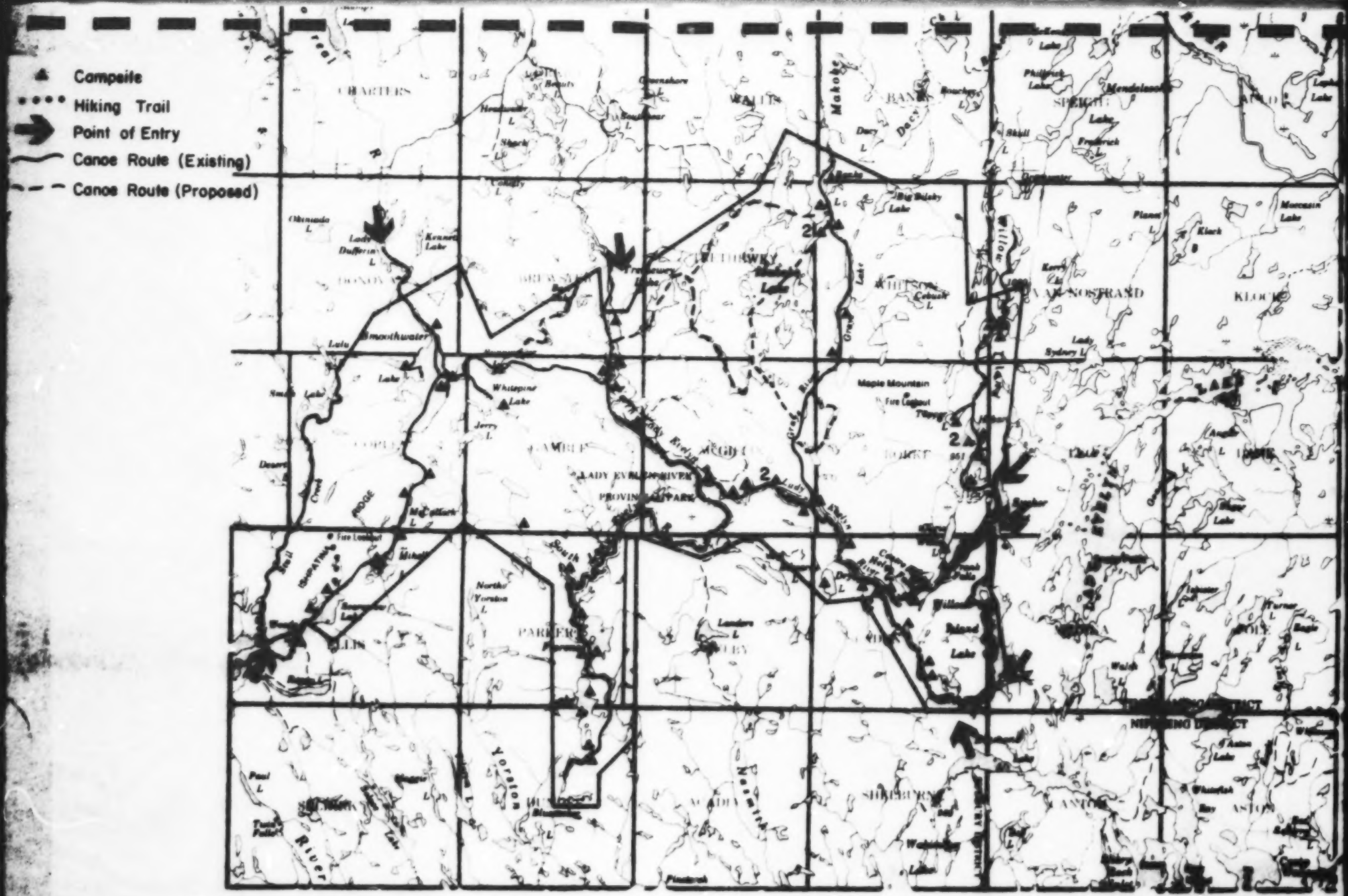


Figure 6

RECREATION